

1 **Amendment to the Specification**

2 **In the Claims:**

3 Please amend the specification as follows:

4 On Page 17, the paragraph beginning at line 9 should be replaced with the following:

5 Shaft 64 is inserted into an opening 62 formed in a support block 60.
6 Housing 32 is preferably formed of a relatively lightweight plastic material.
7 Support block 60 provides additional support to mounting bracket 48, is
8 fixedly coupled with housing 32, and if desired, can be formed integral to
9 housing 32. Preferably, an interference fit exists between shaft 64 and
10 opening 62, such that when no force is applied to elongate member 50 (or
11 simulated laparoscope handle 42), the elongate shaft remains fixed in its then
12 current position, and when a modest amount of pressure is applied to either
13 elongate member 50 or simulated laparoscope handle 42, shaft 64 (and
14 mounting bracket 48 and elongate member 50) move relative to opening 62.
15 This motion, referred to as panning, is indicated by the curved arrow disposed
16 adjacent to shaft 64. It should be understood that support block 60 is not
17 required if housing 32 alone is sufficient to provide the required support. Note
18 that elongate member 50 is introduced into the practice volume at a non-
19 normal angle.
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